## EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4456. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Balanced System for Measuring Organizational and Employee Performance within the Internal Revenue Service" ((RIN1545-BE46)(TD 9227)) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4457. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "October-December 2005 Bond Factor Amounts" (Rev. Rul. 2005-67) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4458. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—November 2005" (Rev. Rul. 2005-71) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4459. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2005 Based Period T-Bill Rate" (Rev. Rul. 2005-70) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Finance

EC-4460. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13067; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4461. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report that funding for the State of North Carolina as a result of Hurricane Ophelia on September 11-17, 2005, has exceeded \$5,000,000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4462. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report that funding for the State of Texas as a result of Hurricane Rita beginning on September 20, 2005, and continuing has exceeded \$5,000,000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4463. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report that funding for the State of Louisiana as a result of Hurricane Rita beginning on September 20, 2005, and continuing, has exceeded \$5,000,000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4464. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance" ((Doc. No. FEMA-7780)(44 CFR 64)) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4465. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((Doc. No. FEMA-7893)(44 CFR 64)) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4466. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((Doc. No. FEMA-7577)(44 CFR 65)) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4467. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations 70 FR 52939" (44 CFR 67) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4468. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((Doc. No. FEMA-7891)(44 CFR 64)) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4469. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations 70 FR 52936" (44 CFR 65) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4470. A communication from the Acting Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Board's compliance with the Federal Manager's Financial Integrith Act for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4471. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Request; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-4472. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to loan guarantees to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

EC-4473. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps transmitting, a report entitled "Peace Corps Accomplishments 2001-2004"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4474. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Asian Longhorned Beetle; Addition and Removal of Quarantined Areas in New Jersey" (APHIS Docket No. 05-066-1) received on October 25, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4475. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Certification Program for Imported Articles of Pelargonium spp. and Solanum spp. to Prevent Introduction of Potato Brown Rot" (APHIS Docket No. 03-019-3) received on Oc-

tober 25, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. KYL:

S. 1940. A bill to create a national register of cases of child abuse or neglect; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. REID, and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 1941. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain real property in the Dixie National Forest in the State of Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 146

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. Mikulski) was added as a cosponsor of S. 146, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to deem certain service in the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines and the Philippine Scouts to have been active service for purposes of benefits under programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

S. 407

At the request of Mr. Johnson, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. Sununu) was added as a cosponsor of S. 407, a bill to restore health care coverage to retired members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 828

At the request of Mr. Harkin, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Dodd) was added as a cosponsor of S. 828, a bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1278

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1278, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide a mechanism for United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for residence in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. Sarbanes, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kennedy) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated.

S. 1516

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors